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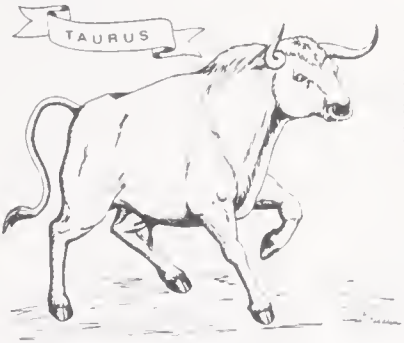

Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers in TNA! And have a nice but SAFE Memorial Day holiday.

REMEMBER — The 1st of June is the deadline for the July issue.

THE STORY BEHIND THE COIN

Lee Grossman, N.L.G.
San Antonio, Tx.

SEVERUS ALEXANDER — A MAMA'S BOY

Lee Grossman

Marcus Aurelius Severus Alexander was born about 208 A.D., the son of Gessius Marcianus and Julia Mamaea. At birth, he was named Alexianus.

His grandmother, Julia Maesa, was concerned about the conduct of Emperor Elagabalus, and finally convinced the ruler to adopt his cousin (in 221 A.D.), and to change his name, and give him the title of Caesar. Because of this move, when Emperor Elagabalus was murdered on March 6, 222 A.D., Alexander was immediately acknowledged as Emperor by the Praetorian guards, and the Senate gave its confirmation the following day.

Severus Alexander married Sallustia Barbia Orbiana in 225 or 226 A.D. The girl was selected by Julia Mamaea. I read somewhere that Orbiana was his third wife. This is hard to believe, since Alexander was only 17 when he married Orbiana. Anyway, only Orbiana had coinage issued. If there had been two prior spouses, no coinage exists of them. Julia Mamaea became extremely jealous of Orbiana, and two years after the wedding, Orbiana was exiled to Africa by Alexander.

Alexander was a wise and just ruler, and he ruled the empire very well and wisely. While the condition of the empire became very much improved, the army resented Julia Mamaea because she influenced Alexander too much.

The Roman Empire went through a decade of peace and was untroubled by foreign wars.

It was in 232 A.D., that Alexander had to stop Ardashir and the Sassanid. Ardashir had earlier overthrown the Arsacid kingdom of Parthia and was marching on to Cappadocia and Syria. While he did not defeat Ardashir, Alexander and his troops did have some success. Then word came to Alexander that the German frontier required his presence, and Alexander headed west.

The fickle and mutinous soldiers decided to proclaim Maximinus as emperor. Maximinus was one of their commanders. En route to Germany to subdue the revolt, Alexander and his mother set up a camp near Mainz. The mutineers entered the camp and murdered both Severus Alexander and his mother, Julia Mamaea, on March 22, 235 A.D. Severus Alexander was only 27 years of age at his demise.

Alexander had become a Tribunician Power in 222 A.D., with Imperatorial Acclamation, and Consul-

ship, in addition to the titles of Augustus, Pontiflex Maximus and Pater Patriae. In 226 A.D., he was renewed as Tribunician Power for the fifth time, with Consulship for the second. He received renewal of the Tribunician Power for the eighth time in 229, as well as his third Consulship. In 231 A.D., he attained Tribunician Power for the tenth time, and was given the title of Pius.

Rome and Antioch were the only two mints to strike coinage of Severus Alexander, his wife and his mother.

During 221 and 222 A.D., coinage was issued of Alexander as Caesar under Elagabalus. The gold Aureus is extremely rare. Silver Denarii are valued from $350 to $450 in Very Fine condition. Bronze Sestertius and As can be obtained at $150 to $225 in Fine condition.

About 60 different coins were struck during the next 13 years as Augustus. Only one type of gold Aureus was minted, and, in VF, is worth about $2,000. A gold Quinarius is valued at about the same price.

Twenty-five different silver Denarii were struck, and in VF, are readily available at $25 to $30. A silver Quinarius was issued and is worth $200 in VF.

Twenty-eight different bronze Sestertii were minted and in Fine condition, can be purchased at prices from $25 to $975. A bronze Dupondius and bronze As coins can be obtained in Fine condition from $25 to $300.

Two different silver Antoniniani were struck as commemoratives after his death by Trajan Decius. In Fine condition, they sell for $45 to $50.

Thirteen Colonial and Provincial coins were struck in bronze and billon, and, in Fine condition, can be purchased for about $13.50 to $37.50.

My coin is a silver Denarius, in Very Good condition, and is SEAR #2124. Lettering on the obverse side reads: "IMP CM AVR SEV ALEXAND AVG" ("Imperator, Caesar, Marcus Aurelius Severus Alexander, Augustus").

The reverse side has Alexander standing left, sacrificing over a tripod altar. The lettering reads: "P M TR P V COS II P P" (Pontiflex Maximus, Tribunician Power V, Consulship II, Father of His Country"). Checking the Titles and Powers chart, Tribunician Power V and Consulship II took place in 226 A.D. Ergo, my coin was issued in 226 A.D.

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ROMAN COIN PROJECT

David R. Cervin · Amarillo, Texas

It is hoped that all TNA members, especially juniors, read the fascinating article by Lee Grossman concerning Michael IV, the Paphlagonian (Byzantine emperor, A.D. 1034-1041) in the November 1982 **TNA NEWS.** (If you don't have a copy, try to to borrow one.) And why, pray tell, juniors? For a very important reason.

Lee refers to his anonymous bronze follis of Michael IV which is properly described as among the earliest coins to depict Christ. Wouldn't anyone, and especially juniors, like to have one of those coins? Of course they would. The beauty of it is that juniors cannot only have a coin like this, but they can acquire two more Byzantine coins, five Roman coins, and an ancient Greek coin, all at no cost to them. How are these obtained?

They are earned · no amount of money can buy them · by doing things in numismatics that they would do anyway as budding young numismatists. Such as? Such as speaking before their own coin club, or describing the wonders of numismatics to their homeroom in school; exhibiting their coin collection at their club's semi-annual coin show, or at their school, or in a library or in a bank; writing an article on numismatics for publication in their school paper, monthly coin newsletter, or some regional or national publication; working at a coin show; completing the YNCC or INCC course; earning a numismatic award from an accredited youth organization; signing new members to the American Numismatic Association; and finally exhibiting the first seven coins earned.

Do the awards end here? Indeed they do not. For their library they secure half a dozen books and booklets on diverse numismatic subjects. Is there more? There certainly is. Lee barely mentions the subject of scyphate coins, coins that are cut-shaped · i.e. struck convex/concave -and the reader almost has to believe that he will never own one. However, very soon a Byzantine scyphate of Alexius III, A.D. 1195-1203, will be sent to completors of the RCP program! Thus, ten ancient coins may soon be earned.

Just how good are some of these earned coins? Let us examine two what all completors will have earned:

1. Chi Rho, (P through X). The X is pronounced chi, the P is rho.) These are the first two letters of Christ in Greek. Constantine the Great, A.D. 307-337, was the first Christian emperor and was the first to use a Chi Rho on a coin.

2. John I, A.D. 969-976, Basil II, A.D. 976-1025, and Constantine VIII, A.D. 1025-1028 struck the same portrait of Christ on their coins, and this was the first bronze portrait of

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junior readin' roundup

Texas Numismatic Association

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Those collectors who like to collect coins with animals on them are going to love collecting coins of ancient Greece. Most of the Greek city-states that issued coins feature animals on them. For those collectors who like birds, Athens issued a coin that shows an owl on the reverse.

If you like dolphins you can collect the coins of Tarentum and Syracuse. The turtle collectors can drool over the coins of Aegina. There are many other animals such as crabs, horses, lions and others.

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4486 Ron Ladd, 2709 5th Ave. NW, Rochester, MN. 55901. Morgan Silver Dollars, Walking Liberty Halves, Saint Gaudens Double Eagles. Homer Dotts.

4487 (D-14) Harry B. Hickey, Box 1228, Zapata, TX., 78076. U.S. Only. Gerald Kendall.

4488 (D-11) Boyd W. Pipes, 1818 S. Virginia, Amarillo, TX. 79102. Silver Dollars, all U.S. Nela Runkle.

4489 Ms. Gayle Pike, 81 N. Century, Memphis, TN. 38111. Dealer. Love tokens - Gold. R. L. Tompkins & Homer Dotts.

4490 (D-1) J.T. Webb, 2140 Oaklawn, Stephenville, TX. 76401. U.S. coins. Morris Johnson.

4491 (D-1) Charles Collier, 859 Charlotte, Stephenville, TX. 76401. Morris Johnson.

A-4492 (D-1) Mrs. Morris Johnson, 1993 W. Frey, Stephenville, TX. 76401. Silver. Morris Johnson.

A-4493 (D-1) Mrs. Linda L. Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Fort Worth, TX. 76118. U.S. & Gold. Joe Wade.

4494 (D-1) Mrs. Louise Cox, 4812 Glade St., Fort Worth, TX. 76114. Charles Cox.

4495 (D-5) Gordon J. Robinson, 11121 Ulloa, Dallas, TX. 75228. Chinese Coins. B.K. Welch & G.F. Johnson.

4496 Jim Hadley, Box 362, Pryor, OK. 74362. Silver Dollars. Homer Dotts.

J-4497 (D-6) Sunny Kogen, 15710 Timberrock Dr., Houston, TX. 77082. L.M. Dove Jr.

4498 (D-6) Stephen A. Sparks, 7503 Brompton, Houston, TX. 77025. All U.S. Paul E. Garner & O.C. Muennink.

A-4500 (D-1) Ms. Lisa R. Johnson, Box 1105, Stephenville, TX. 76401. U.S. Coins. Morris Johnson.

4501 (D-6) Harold L. Wells, 5425 Seindle, Houston, TX. 77086. Morgan Dollars. Paul E. Garner & D.M. Hill.

4502 (D-6) Jim Spray, 180 Goodson Dr., Houston, TX. 77060. Franklin Halves. L.M. Dove Jr.

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TNA Secretary - February allowance and petty cash	205.84		
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Certificate of Deposit as of February 29, 1984	2,123.22
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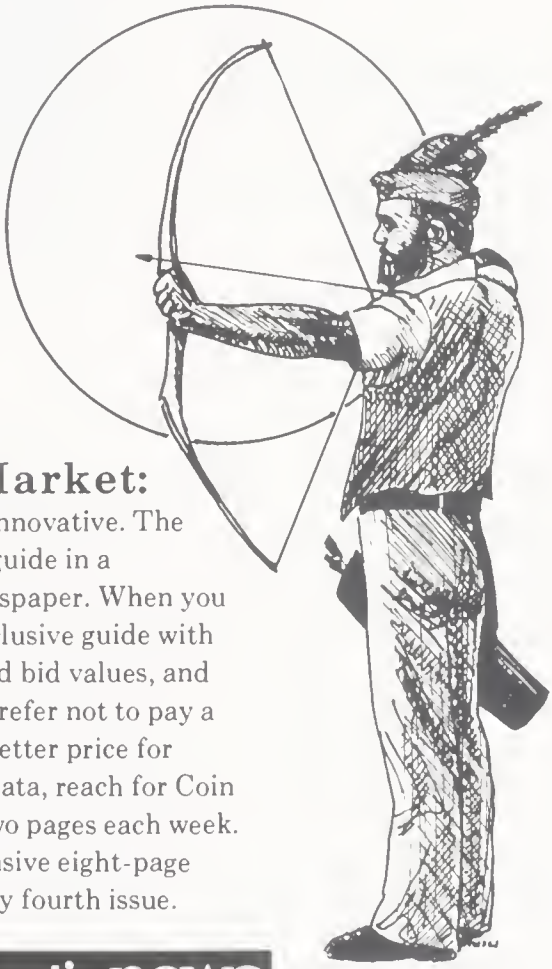

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Throughout Egypt's history, its people have had a special appreciation of gold; and in modern times also, Egypt has chosen to celebrate its historic events and its outstanding leaders through the issuance of commemorative gold coinage. In 1938, Egypt issued a gold commemorative coin to honor the Royal Wedding of King Farouk I. Since then, Egyptian gold coins have celebrated the 1952 Revolution that brought independence, the opening of the Aswan Dam on the Nile, the Koran, the historical Al Azhar Mosque, the Egyptian-Israeli 1980 Peace Treaty, the re-opening of the Suez Canal, the great Al-Azhar center of Islamic learning; as well as such famous figures as King Faisal and President Nassar. During the years 1981 and 1982 alone, Egypt issued eight successful gold coinages.

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MAY 12-13

WICHITA FALLS COIN & STAMP COIN, annual stamp & coin exhibition, Wichita Falls Activities Center. **CONTACT:** C. Thomas Eggleston, 7 Childress St., Sheppard 76311. 817/855-2493.

MAY 20

DALLAS COIN DEALERS ASSN., coin show, Ramada Inn, Sherman.

JUNE 2-3

GARLAND COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn, LBJ at Centerville Rd. **BOURSE:** Billy D. Gilbreath, Box 461303, Garland, 75046.

JUNE 7-10

MISSISSIPPI NUMISMATIC ASSN., annual show, Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum & Convention Center. **BOURSE:** Erv Weems, 613 W. Howard Ave., Biloxi, Miss. 39530. 601/374-1915.

JUNE 9-10

GREATER ORANGE COIN CLUB, annual show. Orange House Inn. **WRITE:** Dewey L. Scott, Box 1871, Orange 77630.

JUNE 24

DALLAS COIN DEALERS ASSN., coin show, Holiday Inn, Regal Row & I35E, Dallas.

JULY 13-15

INTERCONTINENTAL COIN SHOW, super show, Airport Hilton Inn, 500 N. Belt East. **WRITE:** Milton Dove, Box 92146, Houston 77206, 713/445-8625.

AUGUST 4-5

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, annual show, Community Center, 7000 S. Rice. **WRITE:** Club Box 303, Bellaire 77401.

AUGUST 4-5

SHREVEPORT COIN CLUB, 21st annual ARK-LA-TEX Coin Exposition, Convention Hall, 500 Clyde Fant Parkway. **BOURSE:** George Brooks, Box 492, Shreveport, La. 71162.

AUGUST 5

DALLAS COIN DEALERS ASSN., show, Holiday Inn Regal Row & I35E, Dallas.

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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I —

Twenty members and three visitors attended the **Fort Worth Coin Club** meeting and two new members were voted into the club.

Morris Johnson
Governor

TNA District 1 Governor Morris Johnson reported that the TNA is now a Texas Independent Association within the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial Commission for the 1986 activities. Johnson also reported on the 1984 TNA convention in Amarillo on May 4, 5, 6.

Guest speaker Stanford Kennady of Austin spoke on counterfeit coins. Kennady is TNA treasurer.

Refreshments and an auction ended the meeting. - **Morris L. Johnson, Dist. 1 Gov.**

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Kelli Wehh was elected Sweetheart of **Stephenville Coin Club** at the club's regular meeting held at Red Bandana Steakhouse. The cluh has sponsored her to become a member of the TNA.

H. Martin donated four coin books to he placed in the Stephenville and Tarleton lihraries.

Fifteen lots of numimatic items were offered for bidding. - **Lorene Randals, Sec.**

DISTRICT III —

New officers took over their new positions at the meeting of **Key City Coin Club** of Abilene. They are: Randall Thornton, president; Russell Souders, 1st vice president; Les Ashe, 2nd vice president; Frances Thornton, secretary-treasurer.

An average of 20 attended meetings so far held in 1984 and discussed creating interest to attract more collectors and securing programs. Door prizes were won by Randy Thornton and Marylu Megginson. It was announced that programs would be presented by Dick Dollen, Dave Lewis and Les Ashe at future meetings. - **Frances Thornton, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IV —

Semimonthly meetings for **Waco Coin Club** began in April with one meeting consisting of "Swap Night" and the other tending to regular business and program. The club meets at T.P. & L. Center, 3600 Franklin Ave.

Dr. Robert Greenwood
Governor

The 1984 coin show held in March was a success according to the show chairman. The event was held at Waco Convention Center. - **J.P. Jones, Reporter.**

DISTRICT V —

Dallas Coin Club's annual show is scheduled for August 31 and September 2 at Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 4099 Valley View Lane. For more information write Dallas Coin Club Show, Box 7673, Dallas 75209. During the business session, C.C. Andrews reported on the show's progress.

Ron Blaha presented a slide program on "U.S. Copper Coins." Featured were views of the Fugio cent, 1792 silver-center cent, 1972 Birch cent, Flying Eagle, Indian and Lincoln cents, and two-cent pieces.

Welcomed as a new member was Carl Agerbeck. Barney Welch conducted the auction and also won the door prize. - **Ben Hong, Sec.**

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"The Golden Fleet" was the title of a slide program presented by C.C. Andrews at the meeting of **Garland Coin Club.** The title had reference to the three ships of Columbus - the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. The slides depicted gold coins of various denominations and each coin showed an artist's concept of one or more of the ships used by Columbus in his explorations. Also shown were maps which charted the courses and places visited on each of Columbus's four expeditions.

Andrews also discussed an article from **The Numismatist** which gave information concerning the dipping of coins.

Al Bromberg and Frank Clark received ANA educational awards for past programs presented. - **Lucretia Johnson, Sec.**

DISTRICT VI —

Al Loja
Governor

Installation of new officers to serve **Greater Houston Coin Club** took place March 31 at Sonny Looks Steakhouse with Gerald Kendall heading the group as president. Alan Goldsmith is serving as vice president; Al Loja, treasurer; and Melvin L. Neal, secretary. Elected to the Board of Governors were Terry Burke, Michael Levinson and Bernard Loebe.

At the regular meeting held at First Unitarian Church with 31 present, members voted to extend an invitation to TNA to host the 1988 convention and to host a GHCC Week, a week of different numismatic activities.

Loja gave a program on "U.S. Currency - Past, Present and Future." Winning door prizes were Victor Butts and Joe Zamora.

Honorary Life Memberships were bestowed upon Mrs. R.H. Schweers and Bill Johns, longtime club member, collector and dealer. - **Melvin L. Neal, Sec.**

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Fred Baker reviewed the grading of two cent and three cent pieces at a recent meeting of **Bellaire Coin Club.** Planned for discussion in the future are the half dimes and dimes.

Members meet at 7000 S. Rice Ave. on first and third Thursdays. - **Club Bulletin.**

DISTRICT VII —

Frank Galindo
Governor

Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio now has a permanent meeting location at Chandler Center, 137 W. French. The club meets each 2nd and 4th Thursday.

New officers were to be elected April 26.

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Plans are progressing for the Fall coin show October 13-14 sponsored by **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio. The show will be held at Sheraton Inn on Old Austin Hiway. To reserve a bourse table or exhibit space, write the club, Box 21087, San Antonio 78221-0087.

Ed Witt, program chairman, presented slide showings on American paper money and Military Script Issues.

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DISTRICT IX —

Ed Chauncey
Governor

Ed Chauncey gave a report on current and pending legislation affecting the gold and silver industry at the March meeting of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock. Twenty-four attended.

Wally Borchardt won the door prize. Refreshments were served following the auction. Max Hayslip, president, conducted the business session. - **Ed Chauncey, Dist. 9 Gov.**

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Members of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield made plans to have a slide presentation on counterfeiting at the next scheduled meeting. Ten members met at the Reddy Room for the regular meeting.

A 15-lot auction was held and a door prize was given. - **Ed Chauncey, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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DISTRICT XI —

Nela Runkle
Governor

Final plans for the TNA convention were discussed at the meeting of **Amarillo Coin Club** held in the Centennial Room of First National Bank.

Mr. Means, representing Wagner's Jewelry Store, gave a program on gems and described how they are set into mountings. R.L. Tompkins gave the Coin Market report.

Cory Cluck won the junior door prize and adults winning were Robert Fortner, Roy Wilson, Nela Runkle, Homer Dotts and Tommy Tompkins. - **Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11.**

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DISTRICT XII —

Rose City Coin Club's March meeting was attended by 30 members and guests and approximately 75 lots were offered by 30 members and guests and approximately 75 lots were offered at the auction.

T. J. Bennington
Governor

Business discussed were plans for the September 8-9 coin show in Tyler and the club voted to give away a five-dollar gold piece for the main door prize on the last day of the show.

The show will be held at Harvey Hall and for more information write the club, Box 4900 Dept. 1026, Tyler 75712. - **T.J. Bennington, Gov. Dist. 12.**

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DISTRICT XIV —

President Walter Cross presided at the March meeting of **Hidalgo Coin Club** held at Valley Federal Savings Bldg. in Pharr. Twenty-three members and guests attended.

Ada Lee Chisum
Governor

Announcement was made concerning National Coin Week and several members planned to set up displays in the McAllen, Pharr and Edinburg libraries.

The program was presented by L.P. Maddox. He talked on love tokens and coins and showed several examples from his own collection.

Refreshments were served after the auction. - **Ada Lee Chisum, Gov. Dist. 14.**

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DISTRICT XV —

Greater Beaumont Coin Club selected September 22-23 for the annual coin show which will be held at Sheraton Spindletop Hotel, IH10 on 11th St. Steve Pecora is in charge of bourse and can be contacted at Box 1964, Beaumont 77704.

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

James Eldridge gave a program on different collectors who collected silver dollars (Lovier Redvier coins). He reviewed how these gentlemen accumulated the old coins and when sold realized a handsome profit.

It was reported that Jerry Williams was in the hospital and club members wished him well.

Door prizes went to Linda Dowden, Ray Beck, Kaye Brown and A.M. Dunlap. - **Club Bulletin.**

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The regular meeting of **Greater Orange Coin Club** was held at Orange Community Center with 13 members in attendance. Jerry Williams was elected to fill the unexpired term of president since Dale Schmidt, president, had moved from the city.

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AUGUST 11-12
SUMMER COIN & STAMP SHOW, 13th annual, Green Oaks Inn, 6901 West Freeway. **CONTACT:** Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118.

AUGUST 31-SEPT. 2
DALLAS COIN CLUB, annual show, Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 4099 Valley View Lane. **WRITE:** Dallas Coin Club Show, Box 7673, Dallas 75209.

SEPTEMBER 8-9
ROSE CITY COIN CLUB, 5th annual show, Harvey Hall, W. Front St., Tyler. **WRITE:** T.J. Bennington, Box 4900, Dept. 1026, Tyler 75712.

SEPTEMBER 16
BEEVILLE COIN CLUB, annual show, Student Center, Bee County College, St. Mary's St. at Charco Rd. **WRITE:** Club, Box 209, Beeville 78102, 512 375-2454.

SEPTEMBER 22-23
GREATER BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, annual show, Sheraton Spindletop Hotel, Off IH10 on 11th St. **BOURSE:** Steve Pecora, Box 1964, Beaumont 77704.

SEPTEMBER 29-30
AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual show, Quality Inn South. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin, Tx. 78767.

OCTOBER 13-14
GATEWAY COIN CLUB, 7th annual show, Sheraton Inn, San Antonio. **WRITE:** Club, Box 21087, San Antonio 78221-0087.

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1985 - April 16-20. TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, El Paso.

1986 - May 23-25, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, Ft. Worth.

1987 - TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION, San Antonio.

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The annual show will be held June 9-10 and anyone interested in reserving a bourse table can write Dewey L. Scott, Box 1871, Orange 77630.

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Steve Pecora gave a program on "The Evolution of the Nickel." He stated that the half dime preceded the nickel and James Pollock, mint director, felt there was a need to change the half dime. The first nickel was copper colored, then came the "V" nickel, followed by the Buffalo, and then the Jefferson nickel.

Door prize winners were Dewey R. Scott, Jerry Williams, Mary Mires, Lavada Canter, Lucy Canter, Bill Stein, Becky Scott, Ed White, Dewey L. Scott, Johnnie Mabry and Ski Bilowich. - **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

The head of Liberty was chosen for the first official Bust dollar issue.

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Christ on a coin.

Yes, these two coins are a part of the ten coins that all juniors can earn. And don't forget the scyphate already described.

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